# **Lighting Controls:**

# Reducing Market Barriers to Widespread Use of Energy-efficient Lighting Systems

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# **Goals of the project**

 Identify barriers to widespread use of lighting controls into commercial/industrial (C/I) applications that employ fluorescent lamp technologies, and to recommend means for overcoming these barriers

This project is <u>not</u> about: HID and incandescent

Architectural dimming

Residential





#### **Barriers**

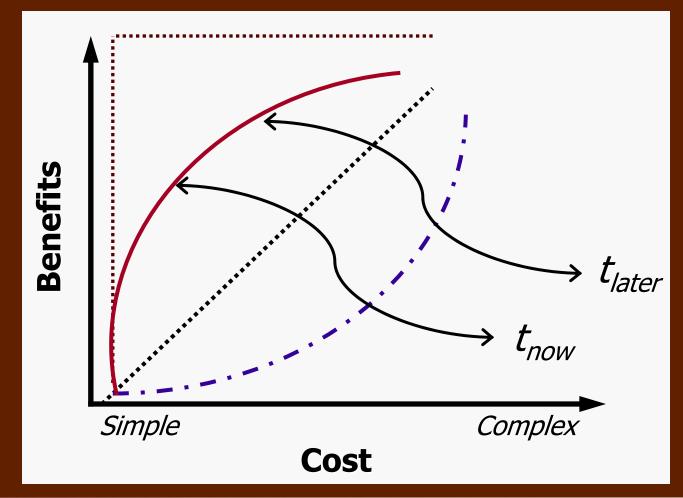
- Lamp/ballast performance
  - cost, reduced lamp life
- Components compatibility
  - cost, hassle, uncertainty
- Installation/commissioning
  - cost, hassle, uncertainty
- Marketing
  - cost, hassle, uncertainty, occupant acceptance, reduced lamp life





# **Philosophy**

#### Cost/benefit curve







#### **Lighting Controls:**

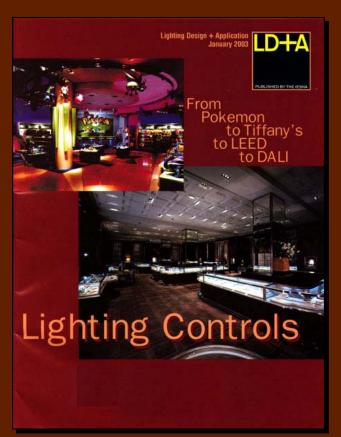
# Reducing Market Barriers to Widespread Use of Energy-efficient Lighting Systems – Year 2

**Technology focus** 

Comments	Building automation	Automatic shut-off	Daylight dimming	Load management	
Does not require emphasis (at this time)	✓				
Dimming: Human Factors and Lighting System Performance			✓	✓	
Dimming: Lamp/ballast issues			✓	✓	
			✓	✓	
			✓	✓	
Recommendations		✓	✓	✓	
Occupancy Sensors: Statistical Savings		✓			
Occupancy Sensors: Best Practices		✓			

# **Building automation**

**Task 4.1** 



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- Happening without help due to vested manufacturers interests – little we can and should do
- But...
  - Expensive platform
  - Costly commissioning
- And
  - No obvious benefits to mainstream
     C&I (productivity, satisfaction, etc)



- Time clocks
- Occupancy sensors
- Panel relays
- Centralized controls



These work,
 <u>But</u> implementation depends upon wiring-installation-commissioning, etc...





- Aggressively encourage the widespread deployment of automatic shut-off lighting controls in existing and new C&I buildings
  - Best Practices Document
  - Approved Values for Savings Calculations

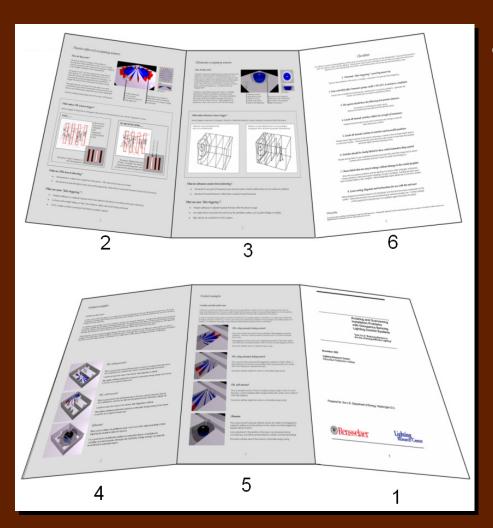


Survey of 26 case studies and manufacturers' claims

Percent savings from occupancy sensors (mean values)				
	Private (''owned")	Shared		
Sporadic use:	25	40		
Scheduled use:		30		







- Best Practices for Occupancy Sensors
  - Make an electricianfriendly document to overcome nagging installation barriers



#### **Energy efficiency is not just kWh anymore!**

Energy efficiency is becoming more about when power is needed than how long power is needed; the real cost of power for certain days and certain times of the day can approach \$1/W!

#### **Electric market clearing prices**



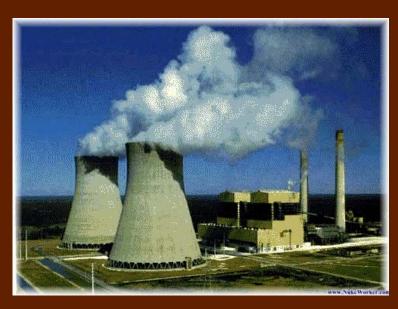
Why does energy grab fewer headlines that it did during energy crises of the 1970s? Because it costs less as a share of disposable household income these days. And the burden should continue to lighten. One big contributor: an enormous increase in energy efficiency since the first oil shock in 1973. Businessweek



 Plus, society doesn't want to build new power stations and power lines (particularly in my backyard!)











# Load-shedding, why lighting?

- Lighting is the ultimate distributed resource for load management
- Non-disruptive (especially with daylight)
- Non-polluting
- Constitutes a large load (40% of commercial load) with large periods of use
- Distributed load, high reliability
- Immediate response with no "rebound"
- Can be aggregated into larger loads
  - But requires a third party organization to do this

Joel S. Gilbert, P.E., CEO APOGEE Interactive, Inc. LRC Partner's Day 2002





- Technology Specification
  - Developing load-shed ballast performance specification
  - Investigating critical performance factors and lamp life









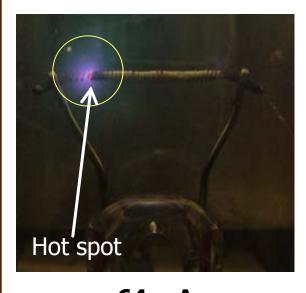
**Technology specification** 

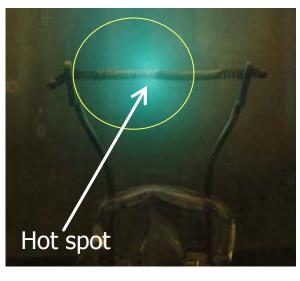
#### Instant start

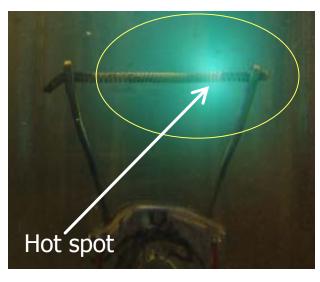
Small glow region = greatest damage concentration;
Note color of glow and incandescing filament

medium glow region

largest glow region





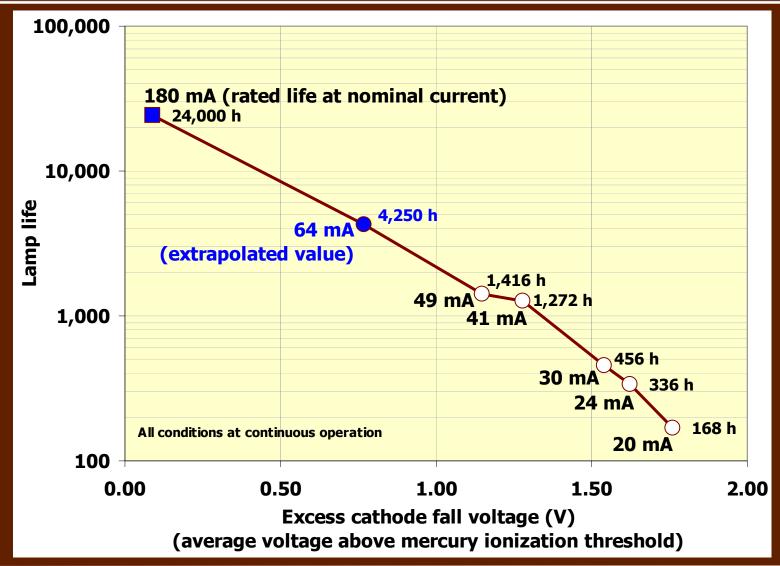


64 mA

**121 mA** 

180 mA

#### **Technology specification**





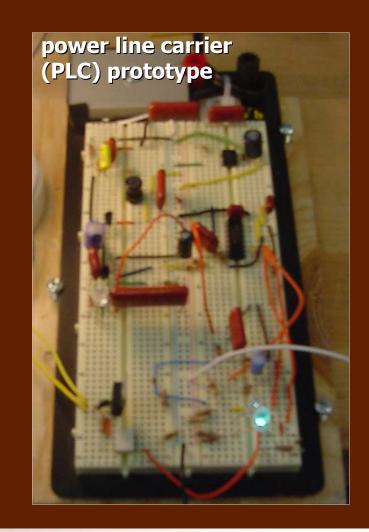


#### Communication Protocol

- Developing specification for communication protocols
- Investigating most effective way to transmit the signal from the utility to the building to the ballast

#### Large scale demonstration

- Concentrating on within-building distribution of signal to ballast
- Investigating low cost PLC receivers







- Technology Specification (switching and dimming)
  - Slight additions/modifications to existing non-dimming ballasts designs
  - Low incremental cost (< \$1 per ballast)</li>
  - Suitable for instant start and program start ballasts
- Communications Protocol
  - Low-cost power line carrier (PLC) receivers inside ballast case, < \$2 per ballast</li>
  - Ballast control modules serving 100s of ballasts < \$0.50 per ballast



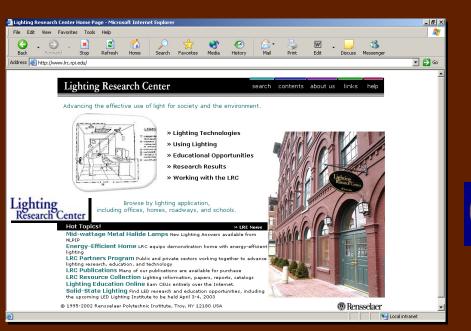
#### Year 3











# Marketing and Technology Transfer

- Federal and government agencies
- Professionals
  - Public (Website)
- And
  - Energy policy makers



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#### **Photosensor Results**

#### **Features**

- Sliding setpoint algorithm
- Wireless, remote sensor
- Self-commissioning (minimal user interaction)
- Occupant preference adjustment independent of commissioning
- Switching in addition to dimming control
- Compact size (replaces std. switch)
- Efficient operation (~1.2 watts @ 120 Vac)
- Microprocessor based



Commissioning time < 3 minutes in most cases!





# **Energy Savings Results**

**June 21 through September 21, 2002** 

Location	With	Without	Energy Saved	
	kWh	kWh	kWh	%
LRC, Andy	2.37	8.41	6.04	72
LRC, Sandra	8.02	21.85	13.82	63
NU-East, 1-22B	117.4	197.8	80.5	41
NU-East, 1-19H	54.3	70.8	16.5	23
NU-East, 2-21H	80.0	112.8	32.8	29
NU, Mutchler	176.6	186.1	9.5	5
Hartford, Tracy	30.4	40.8	10.4	25
Hartford,Rebecca	21.6	34.8	13.2	38
Hartford, Kristin	41.0	41.0	0.1	0
Hartford, Dottie	50.5	50.9	0.4	1
			Average =	30
All combined	582.2	765.3	183.3	24



# **Energy Savings Results**

January 15 through November 15, 2002

		LRC Office (Andy)		LRC Office (Sandra)	
Start	End	Saved	Saved	Saved	Saved
Date	Date	kWh	%	kWh	%
15-Jan-02	15-Feb-02	6.33	57	7.09	62
15-Feb-02	15-Mar-02	6.17	71	7.18	70
15-Mar-02	15-Apr-02	4.61	64	9.35	68
15-Apr-02	15-May-02	6.04	66	8.74	70
15-May-02	15-Jun-02	6.48	75	9.92	70
15-Jun-02	15-Jul-02	3.53	92	10.67	68
15-Jul-02	15-Aug-02	3.86	64	6.31	54
15-Aug-02	15-Sep-02	6.25	80	12.11	79
15-Sep-02	15-Oct-02	7.99	71	7.41	83
15-Oct-02	15-Nov-02	5.65	54	7.15	51





#### **Occupant Satisfaction**

(Interview results)

- No complaints about photosensor operation
  - Some said they liked the dimming, previously too bright
  - One used adjstment to reduce the amount of dimming
- Did not change the way people control their lighting
  - For most, switch on in the morning, off when leaving for the day
  - Most do not adjust blinds daily
  - Some keep blinds closed all the time
- Did not notice dimming
- Noticed switching off of lights
  - Not distracting, though
- All felt they had the same, or more control over their lighting
- Most would want a photosensor in a new office, a couple were indifferent



